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FERGUSON BY THE UNOFFICIAL RETURNS WISE COUNTY

40,000 VOTES The Following Returns Were Largely Received by Phone, and are Subject to Correction. The Official Returns Cannot be Known Till Saturday, Aug. 1

Anti Ticket Wins all But Few State Offices

Table with 2 columns: Position and Votes. Rows include Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Treasurer, etc.

Table with 2 columns: Precinct and Returns. Rows include North Decatur, South Decatur, etc.

The New County, Decatur Precincts Head-on Collision Officers Nominated Held Meetings 25th South of Decatur

The race for county officers passed off quietly in Wise last Saturday, and while several of the contests were close, there was very little excitement in evidence. Following is a list of those who are leading in the unofficial count, and who are conceded elected: County judge, J. W. Walker. Representative, French Spencer, of Decatur. County attorney, Mack Burch of Rhome. County treasurer, Crockett Alexander, of Decatur. Superintendent, Brandon Trussell, of Decatur. Tax collector, Dave Dickson, of Decatur. Sheriff, Lee Mann, of Decatur. Clerk, John E. Boyd, of Decatur. Justice of the peace, prec. 1, Rev. M. B. Johnston, of Decatur. Commissioner of precincts 1 and 6, W. B. Splawn, of Decatur. Commissioner of precincts 2 and 3, L. E. Tibbetts, of Alvord. Commissioner of precincts 4 and 5, J. M. Portwood, of Boyd. Commissioner of precincts 7 and 8, J. M. Slover, of Bridgeport. The county will have a new commissioners' court throughout, yet two of the newly-elected commissioners, Portwood and Tibbetts, have formerly served as commissioners.

REUNION

We are sure that there is no place in town where you will find so great an assortment of good things to eat. Below we present a few. Many more but too numerous to mention. Cudahy and Swift Premium canvassed Hams; Cold sliced Boneless Ham; Sliced Beef; Sunshine Cakes; White Swan can Fruits and Vegetables; Beachnut Jams; Sweet Pickles; Large green Olives; Grape Juice; Holmes Cherry Phosphate; Golden Gate Tea and Coffee.

"Light Crust Flour for Fancy Baking" Collins Grocery Company

Illustration of two men sitting at a desk. Text: YOUNG MAN BE "PRUDENT" STOP EXTRAVAGANCE PUT YOUR MONEY IN OUR BANK YOU'LL NEED IT SOME DAY

How many a young man is kept back from promotion or a junior partnership because he does not save a part of what he earns? The man who SAVES is the man who gains the CONFIDENCE of his employer and gets advanced over the extravagant man who works by his side. The BANKING habit is the best habit a man can acquire. GUARANTY FUND BANK First State Bank DECATUR TEXAS

Mrs. Frank Smith Died Last Tuesday

Mrs. Frank Smith died Tuesday night at her home in Taylor and the body was brought to Decatur Wednesday night for burial in the city cemetery Thursday morning. Mrs. Smith, before her marriage several years ago, was Miss Lila Ball, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carlo Ball, old time and highly respected citizens of this community. The deceased was a splendid lady and during her girlhood she drew about her scores of friends. She was charming in her manners, possessed a happy disposition and christian character. She was a sister of ex-postmaster, Thomas L. Ball. The Messenger extends sympathy to the bereaved relatives and hosts of friends of this splendid lady whose untimely death has cast a gloom over many homes.

Scouts After Fund For Summer Hike

The Decatur Boy Scouts will have a stand at the reunion ground for the sale of cold drinks. The funds received will be used to pay the expense of their hike to Mineral Wells, and the boys will appreciate the patronage of the public. The Scouts will also establish an information and service bureau at their stand, and will serve the public in any possible capacity without charge.

Cemetery Society Report

Report of Cemetery society ending June 31, 1914. Balance on hand \$368.02 Amount paid out as per check 108.50 To dep't lots and dues 60.80 Balance on hand 302.32 Respectfully submitted, MRS. R. L. THOMPSON, Treas.

Million Dollar Mystery at the Reunion

The next installment of that great moving picture, "The Million Dollar Mystery" will be given at the reunion grounds next Thursday night.

Executive Committee to Tabulate Returns

The democratic executive committee of Wise county will meet in Decatur tomorrow morning, Saturday, at 10 o'clock to tabulate the returns and give out the official count of last Saturday's primary. All the returns have been received in Decatur and have been in charge of A. J. Mann, who is chairman of the tabulating committee. The official count is not likely to cause any change in the results as they are now understood, but the county clerk's race is so close, there is much interest in finding out the exact standing of Messrs. Boyd and Davis.

NOTICE

All parties desiring concessions at the fair park during the Wise County Fair Association meeting, October 6, 7, 8 and 9, are requested to file application with the secretary.

County Convention Here Next Saturday

The democratic county convention will be held in Decatur tomorrow, Saturday, at 2 o'clock p. m. It is expected that the convention will be controlled by adherents of Tom Ball, and that resolutions endorsing the national administration will be presented for adoption. The session may develop some excitement on various phases of the present situation, and a good attendance from over the county is expected.

Car Turns Over With Heath Family

Rev. H. D. Heath and family were returning from Wichita in an auto Tuesday, when the car overturned near Bellevue. The occupants were caught as the auto turned over on its top, but all escaped serious injury, though most every one was bruised to some extent. The car struck a sand-bed, causing the hind wheels to skid around, and the car to turn over.

Independent Service Gives County Vote

Ben Collins, manager of the local independent exchange, scored a success last Saturday night in his efforts to secure the election returns from the different voting boxes of the county. All possible arrangements had been made to receive the returns in the sheriff's office, and to send returns out to all county points. Three phones and a half dozen assistants made the work easy, and before midnight the returns from most every box that had completed the count had been received and sent out again to all parts of the county. This was a service which was greatly appreciated by the public over the county, and especially at Decatur, where hundreds gathered to hear the returns read out. Too much praise cannot be given the independent operators at Decatur and at other county points for their quick and constant service.

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Friday, July 31, 1914.

Most Widely Circulated Paper in Wise County.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Any erroneous reflections upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation which may appear in the columns of the Messenger will be gladly corrected upon its being brought to the attention of the publishers.

Lost ball.
Pass the crow.
Who hit Billy Patterson?
Let us make up, and get in behind the fair proposition.
As a political prophet, the Messenger is not much pumpkin.
When the debris was removed we presented a frightful appearance.
It is all over. Get down to work for the big fall fair. It's a winner.
We back up and retract—Ferguson's land plank is Class A as a vote getter.

Here's hoping "Farmer" Jim will keep his promises to the farmers of Texas.

Stand by the nominees of the primary. The voice of the people has been heard.

Take yer medicine and smile. It could have been worse. Fire, famine and floods for instance.

Austria and Serbia are at war, and it looks like Russia and Germany will be drawn into the fuss.

Now, for the movement to make the Wise county fair the biggest and best entertainment in all this section.

That rooster we were grooming for the crowing stunt, jumped the barnyard fence early Sunday morning and went into the tall and uncut.

The Messenger did its very best, and that was "some"—the Wonderful County was saved from the wreckage.

Now watch Oscar B. head for the U. S. senate. Can he make the landing? Don't know. We've "taken out" as a prophet.

Well, old Wonderful Wise refused to fall for the Ferguson fallacies—but, zounds, there are so few Wonderful Counties in the old state.

With Wise county in the Tom Ball column, and a good bunch of county officers elected, the Messenger rises to remark, "We are winners."

Horace Vaughn has been defeated for congress in the first district. Vaughn is serving his first term in congress and the record he has made is good.

Billie of the house of Patterson was "dolt" a terrific punch, and strong suspicion points Templeward. Who put afloat the report that Ball would make a runaway race with it?

Countrymen, citizens and patriots: Lend us your ears—We have run afoul the enemy, and authentic reports are burdened with the depressing tidings that we are their's.

From late returns it appears that Cyclone Davis has waltzed away with the congressman-at-large plum. Mc-Lemore, a pronounced anti, will accompany Davis to Washington. Half loaf is better than no bread at all.

After a close survey of the field we arrive at the conclusion that if the growing ambition of one O. B. Colquitt is checked, Joe Bailey must lead the checking forces. Colquitt and his crowd are in the saddle, and the Little Governor is headed for the U. S. senate.

The fellow who "totes fair" in election times has no apologies to make after the frolic and fun is over. It is the double-dealing fellow, the plotter and schemer of shady transactions who is worried when the field is cleared. Pity the poor fellow who sacrifices friendship and throws gratitude to the four winds in his wild desire to serve a master.

Our life-long friend, chum in our school days and companion in arms when grim visaged war came on in the wake of the sinking of the battleship Maine, Will Terrell, will present us with a brand new hat immediately following the publication of the re-

turns announcing Ball's lead of 500 over Mr. Ferguson in the sun-kissed violet-fringed domain of Wonderful Wise county. We hate to take it, but we need the hat.

It will be—Judge Jim Walker, Sheriff Lee Mann, County Clerk John E. Boyd, Tax Collector Dave Dickson, Treasurer Crockett Alexander, County Supt. Brandon Trussell, County Attorney Mack Burch. A splendid selection, and it is the duty of all good citizens to give support and encouragement to these men. They will render good service to all the people by putting forth their best efforts to merit the confidence and esteem of their constituents.

Attorney L. D. Ratliff and a Messenger reporter visited the busy little town of Bridgeport one day last week. The Messenger scribe was surprised at the growth and appearance of get-up-and-get of the Coal Town. New residences are going up and the business men are wearing broad smiles. One of the most substantial institutions we visited was the brick plant under the management of our old friend, Gladney Short. We went out to the plant with Gladney and was piloted through the buildings. This is one of the biggest institutions in the state and is receiving splendid support. As we told Gladney, "It is too big for a town of Bridgeport's proportions, and should be located in a city like Decatur." Gladney smiled.

The Messenger representative heard several of the democratic nominees for county offices express sentiments which are calculated to make for good for the officers and the people whose servants they will be. In conversation with Mr. Walker, the nominee for county judge, that gentleman said, "Now that I am the nominee and will be elected at the general election in November, you can express my appreciation to the people and I ask their co-operation in assisting me to make them a good and efficient officer. No officer can make good without the co-operation of the people, and I want them to know that I will be a judge for all the people." Such sentiments come from men who will do their duty and put forth their best efforts to deserve the honors given them. Mack Burch, the county attorney nominee, expressed himself in like words, as did Lee Mann, the choice of the people for the office of sheriff. Other successful candidates hold the same views. It is good to hear such expressions; and it is the duty of the people to give the assistance necessary for officers to render good and efficient service.

Dan Garret relieved 8893 votes in Harris county for congressman at large. He failed to secure the nomination, but should feel proud of the support given him by his home county. It was a wonderful tribute to his popularity and to the faith of the voters of Harris county in his integrity and ability.

Mr. Garrett has made a splendid representative in congress, and it is unfortunate that he was not returned for the second term.

The vote he received in Harris county, however, being several thousand and ahead of any other candidate for the same office, indicates that he can secure nearly anything he wants in this section of the state. Not only did Harris county give him a big vote but Walker, Grimes, Brazoria and Matagorda, in all of which he led the ticket.—Houston Chronicle.

L. Schulkey has purchased an interest in the Farmers' Restaurant on East Main Street. Lunches and chili will be served. Louie is one of the best restaurant men in this section and his friends are numerous. He has purchased the Hays lot immediately west of the Messenger office, on which the Dickson lunch house is located, and soon after October 1, a brick or stone building will be erected.

Our friend, Mr. G. W. Davis, local agent, informs the Messenger that he can make arrangements with his company to supply a good article of crude oil for street sprinkling purposes to the city of Decatur at a very reasonable cost. The Messenger would suggest that steps be taken to have the square and principle streets sprinkled with this oil. One application will solve the dust problem for months to come.

LOCAL NEWS

The catalogues for the Wise county fair, October 6, 7, 8, and 9 will be ready for distribution about the first week in August.

According to our custom, the Messenger will not be issued next week during the reunion. We shall take a much needed rest.

Mrs. J. W. Messick and son, James, and Miss Anna Echols from Stamford, are guests of the family of Rev. A. R. Nash.

Joe Kimble and wife of Fort Worth, and Miss Maud Bryan of Atencio, N. M., have this week been the guests of Mrs. Julia Tiley.

Misses Blanche and Bessie Willis, who have been visiting here several weeks, have returned to their home in Alexander City, Ala.

A. C. Bennett was carried to Fort Worth last Saturday, where he was operated on for appendicitis. At last reports his condition was favorable.

If you have empty pop bottles, call us and we will be glad to collect them, as we are short of bottles. Brandenburg & Co.

Mrs. L. M. Cobb and children of Dallas are visiting relatives in the city. They have been visiting Mrs. Cobb's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wakefield at Ponder.

Patronize the Boy Scout cold drink stand at the reunion.

Miss Margrete Ponder left Tuesday to join her parents in a months camp in the Ozark mountains. Miss Ponder has been visiting her grandmother, Mrs. R. M. Collins.

Fresh Graham bread every day at the City Bakery.

Furman Greathouse was here from Dallas Sunday, visiting his wife and children, who are the guests of Mrs. John W. Hogg. Furman renewed his allegiance to the Messenger.

A nice folding chair for reunion. Only 50c at Ball Christian Furniture store.

About 75 Decatur boosters attended the encampment at Lake Wichita the past week. They report a splendid time, and that they put Decatur on the map in Wichita.

The Majestic, in new quarters, is stylish and well able to please all patrons.

Prof W. S. Donoho and family, Hubert and Leon St. Clair, Misses Claudie May Workman and Ora Moore returned Saturday from the Baylor summer school at Waco.

The famous Alta Vista ice cream is as popular as ever—always at the City Bakery.

Chris England states that he will have plenty of good fresh barbecue every day at the reunion next week. Let him furnish you meat in bulk. Lunches will also be served at the barbecue stand.

The City Bakery is the home of refreshment.

I am always at my chair, ready to give you the very best shines to be had anywhere. Can change tan shoe to fast black. Walter Spencer, at Owen's barber shop.

Brandon Trussell, nominee for county superintendent, will leave in a few weeks for an extended visit to the Pacific coast country. He will visit some of the best educational institutions in that section.

Try the new loaf "Mother's" bread, made with milk. City Bakery.

The country people of this vicinity and Wise county are taking much interest in the coming fall fair to be held in Decatur on Oct. 6, 7, 8, 9. The splendid premium list has been enlarged by many prizes offered by the farmers themselves, consisting of money, feed, fine seed, stock and poultry. Such interest among our farmer friends is bound to make the fair a big success.



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There is always SOMETHING NEW at the SAN LA ROY FOUNTAIN. Something to tempt and please. Our dispensers are constantly on the lookout for "new things to tackle your palate."

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REUNION SPECIALS

We have just purchased a nice line of the very goods you will need next week. Cool summer ready-to-wear

Dresses, Clothing, Hats, Unnerwear and Shoes

Also nice line of bunting for decoration. Our price is always right. Come in today and be supplied.

ROBINSON'S BARGAIN HOUSE
ALLISON BUILDING WEST SIDE SQUARE

Dr. D. A. Carpenter went to Fort Worth Tuesday where he entered a sanitarium to have his appendix removed. The Doctor has been suffering for some time and Tuesday he decided to have the operation performed. Several of the Doctor's friends accompanied him to Fort Worth. The Messenger hopes to see him out in a short time.

Madam, it is too hot to bake. Get "Mother's" bread, made with milk. City Bakery.

B. Renshaw was here from Hillsboro, Sunday. B. is now a regular on the Hillsboro team of the Trolley league, and is playing good ball and hitting the pill at a regular clip above the 300 mark. He is now playing second base, and has been out of only one game since joining the team.

See those rip-roaring Keystone comedies at Majestic next week.

Col. Heck Miller asked a Messenger representative, "What about that rooster you were training for a loud crowing stunt." We replied by stating the rooster became indisposed early in the contest Saturday night and ran up some feathers in the vicinity of his comb.

Have your grocery get "Mother's" bread for you at the City Bakery. Made with milk.

Brook Roach has shipped his standard-bred harness horse, Garrard McDonald, to J. H. Murphy, the McKinney horse man, to be trained for the horse show during the coming fair. Mr. Murphy writes he will surely bring several of his splendid show horses to the fair to be exhibited in the horse show.

New crop of South Texas honey just arrived. Collins Grocery Co.

Mrs. Mattie Burk and son, Joe, who are visiting the family of T. Perrin, are both suffering from typhoid.

Colds

should be "nipped in the bud", for if allowed to run unchecked, serious results may follow. Numerous cases of consumption, pneumonia, and other fatal diseases, can be traced back to a cold. At the first sign of a cold, protect yourself by thoroughly cleansing your system with a few doses of

THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT

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Mr. Chas. A. Ragland, of Madison Heights, Va., says: "I have been using Thedford's Black-Draught for stomach troubles, indigestion, and colds, and find it to be the very best medicine I ever used. It makes an old man feel like a young one." Insist on Thedford's, the original and genuine. E-67

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D. H. Payne
DENTIST

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Wise County Fair

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J. Warren Lillard, Treasurer
Dick Collins, Secretary

To The Public

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ED. JOHNSON, Manager

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The Messenger.

NEW DENVER SCHEDULE
Arrive at Decatur

SOUTH BOUND	NORTH BOUND
No. 8—5:06 a.m.	No. 3—9:38 a. m
No. 2—4:43 p.m.	No. 1—11:20 a. m
No. 4—3:22 p.m.	No. 7—12:45 p. m

News of Town and County

LIGHT CRUST.
W. H. Chambers was in Sanger Sunday.
Wallace Nash was in Dallas last Saturday.
Mark Oats was here from Rhome yesterday.
Mrs. W. E. Hand is visiting in Gainesville.
A nice shower fell over the county last Friday.
L. W. Watson was here Monday from Slidell.
Jfm St. Clair and wife are visiting in Mineral Wells.
Wallace Brady was here from Wichita Falls Sunday.
Will Bullock from Waxahachie, is at home for a few days.
Jesse Leatherwood of Corpus Christi visited here this week.
Miss Sue Halliday of Houston, is the guest of Miss Heath.
Miss Joe Cates of Duncan, Okla., is visiting relatives here.
Mrs. M. D. Sellars is reported to be very sick at her home.
Commissioner-Elect Eli Tibbetts of Alvord, was here Monday.
Guy Ash and wife left this week to make their home in Quanah.
Will Stokes, who is traveling over the state, was here this week.
Joe Holt left Tuesday for Vernon to visit a sick granddaughter.
Mrs. J. E. Kendall of Polytechnic, is visiting relatives in Decatur.
Dr. W. E. Redford and Ed Hamilton were here Tuesday from Boyd.
R. L. Bond of Cooke county, was here Monday and called at this office.
Miss Linn Thompson of Ft. Worth, is the guest of R. L. Thompson and wife.
Mrs. W. L. Smith has returned from a visit to friends in Wichita Falls.
Misses Irma Lou and Allie B. Chambers are visiting relatives in Sanger.
Miss Alice Brown has returned to Waco, accompanied by Miss LaRue Ranson.
W. H. Eskridge and wife of Hobart, Okla., came in Tuesday to attend the reunion.
Miss May Hall from Fort Worth, is visiting her parents, Rev. and Mrs. B. F. Hall.
Miss Mary Lena Kendall of Polytechnic is the guest of Miss Vallie Blankenship.
Mrs. Geo. Page has returned from a few days' stay with her mother in Bluff Dale.
Albert Erwin, traveling out of Dallas, was a pleasant caller at the Messenger office.
Buy our home-made pure soda pop by the case, delivered at 50c. Brandenburg & Co.
Julian Ward and family and Fate Renshaw and wife of Rhome, were here Monday.
E. B. Melton has bought the Arthur Brady residence near the International hotel.
Miss Thelma Lewis will leave next week for a visit to her grandparents in Gainesville.
Misses Mary Frances and Vera Foreman of Denton, are visiting Miss May Belle Pirtle.
Sheriff-Elect Lee Mann and L. L. Burress were among those here from Paradise Monday.
Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Cobb of Dallas, will visit relatives here next week during the reunion.
Mrs. Agee of Fort Worth is here at the bedside of her sick mother, Mrs. M. D. Sellars.
J. M. Copeland and wife of Fort Worth, have been the guests of W. L. Smith and family.
Grandpa Nat R. Etter, the oldest citizen on route 2, is very low and not expected to recover.
A. D. Rogers returned to San Antonio Tuesday, after several days' visit here with his folks.
Keep a case of our soda pop at home for the family. 50c case delivered. Brandenburg & Co.
Rev. S. G. Christal and daughters will leave in a few days for several weeks' visit in Cool Colorado.

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FOUND—Plain gold link watch chain; Owner may have same at this office by describing same and paying for this notice.
WE LOAN you money on your farm, take up or extend your mortgage and liens. **DECATUR LAND, LOAN & ABSTRACT CO.**
IF YOU want to buy or rent a house in Decatur, see E. T. Brown or J. W. Bailey.
FOR SALE—Two good milch cows; cheap. Call for JOHN WATTS at Smith's stable.
FOR SALE OR RENT—One new stone store building 50x80; modern glass front; best arranged shelving; all in good repair, located in Bridgeport, Texas. C. C. JONES, Decatur, Texas.
GOOD WELL DRILLING AT LOW PRICES, for cash or on time. See W. W. LITTELL, Decatur.
FOR SALE—Complete hay baling outfit; good as new; at a bargain. Call at this office or address Box 393, Decatur.
FOR SALE—150 acres land 1 1/2 miles west of Decatur; 150 fruit trees. One six-room house east main street, Decatur, Texas. C. C. JONES, Decatur, Texas.
PASTURE—Plenty of pasture and well water. N. BEST, Greenwood, route 1.
REGISTERED DUROC JERSEY hogs for sale by J. W. THOMPSON, Decatur, Texas. (1-1-1f)
BALED OATS for sale, \$9 per ton; 2 miles east of Decatur. R. L. HARRIS.
FOR SALE—New alfalfa hay, \$8.00 per ton at press. T. F. MILLIGAN, Greenwood, Texas. (27)
FOR SALE—89 1/4 acres of land in forks of Catlett and Pecan creeks; no better land on earth; \$1500 cash balance easy payments. My home on East Main street, also a 32 b. p. Hummer in good shape and a sure enough runner. I need money and don't need the property. Call on or address CODY MILLIGAN, Decatur, Tex., Box 187. (36)
FOR SALE—Good five-room house; piped for gas; gas lights; lavatory; kitchen; sink; good barn; chicken house; well; windmill; cement cellar; 1 1/2 block of land goes with same. This is one of the best improved small places in Decatur. Will take some good stock as part pay. Terms on balance. If interested, address Box 541, Decatur, Texas.

Notice to Reunion Campers

I will have plenty of fresh barbecue and meat in bulk form of most any kind on the Joe Wheeler park next week. Will have fresh bread delivered to the barbecue pit every day, and those who are going to camp may feel assured that they can depend on me for anything to eat in this line at reasonable prices.
CHRIS ENGLAND

Mrs. Geo. Arrington and R. H. Fralin of Boyd, left Decatur last week for a stay in New Mexico.

Prof. Walter Spauld of the Baylor Female college, Belton, was visiting here several days the past week.

Any possible information or service furnished without charge at the Scout stand during the reunion.

Ellis Plaxco, John Scott, H. W. Barton and W. L. Rush left Tuesday for an auto trip through West Texas.

Mrs. T. E. Varnell, who has been visiting the family of W. R. Benson, left this week for her home in Sherman.

Miss Trula Sensibaugh, one of Bridgeport's charming girls, is visiting the family of E. M. Allison this week.

We Offer for Cash

Men's \$1.00 athletic union suits at . . . 85c
Men's 85c athletic union suits at . . . 70c
Men's Porus-knit undershirts and drawers, the 50c kind, for . . . 40c
Men's 50c web seam drawers for . . . 40c
Men's 75c summer hats at . . . 50c
Alarm clocks for . . . 75c
Peroxide of Hydrogen . . . 10c

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Try a want, lost, or for sale ad—1c word

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Always use good soil in potting; two parts fibrous loam to one part thoroughly decayed manure.

Always buy your plants direct from the grower and as near home as possible; this we say for several reasons; know from whom you buy; save expense in shipments, also danger of heat or frost to say nothing of the crushed foliage which alone often results in the death of the plant.

The Spencer Nursery

Jno. Spencer, Mgr. Decatur, Tex.

Misses May and Hilda Eskridge of Hobart, Okla., arrived Saturday for a visit to relatives and friends.

The regular monthly meeting of the Masonic lodge occurs next Saturday night, and the Chapter meets Monday night.

Refreshing soda pop, made in our sanitary factory, delivered in Decatur by the case for 50c. Brandenburg & Co.

Dick Collins is attending the annual meeting of the Colorado-to-Gulf Highway association in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Get your reunion hammock folding cots and folding chairs at Ball Christian Furniture store.

Messenger extends thanks to Dave Kerr for remembering us with a large watermelon. The force say it was very fine.

Shelby Hoyl and family and Steve Gose and family returned Tuesday from two week's overland trip to Corpus Christi.

Late reports from Dr. Carpenter, who was operated on at Fort Worth Wednesday morning, are that he is doing nicely.

All the popular soft drinks at City Bakery. Everything sanitary.

Editor Ed Procter of the Boyd Index, was in the city Tuesday, and while here made the Messenger a pleasant call.

ALVORD

Mrs. S. G. Leslie is in Dixie, Okla. Mrs. Oran Speer is visiting in Amarillo.

D. Speer and wife are in Ft. Worth. Miss Marcie Farrington of Dallas, is visiting here.

Clyde Hollabaugh was in Houston last week.

Mrs. Vermillion and children spent several days in Greenwood.

Miss Elizabeth Stephens is visiting relatives here.

B. F. Brite and wife are with their daughter, Mrs. Parker, who has been quite sick in Cordell, Okla.

Miss Vesta Covington attended the B. Y. P. U. encampment at Wichita and went on to Burkburnett for a visit.

Miss Mineola Harding is here from Decatur.

Ed Richardson and family have returned from an auto trip to other Mrs. C. A. Perrell of Burkburnett, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Sands.

John Alexander was here from Olney Saturday.

The ladies of the Baptist and Methodist Mission societies served lunch Saturday.

E. P. Frensey exchanged his residence for the new residence of Ed Collins on Franklin Ave. and moved to same.

L. H. Leach spent several days at Plainview and Amarillo.

Mr. Puckett spent Sunday with his family here.

O. L. Thomas of Paducah, spent Wednesday with his brother, Jim B.

R. P. Webb was here from Wichita this week.

J. C. Farrar and family moved to Fort Worth this week and Mrs. T. N. Whitlow moved to the Farrar residence.

Mr. Addington, agent for the Denver here, went up the road Sunday and brought back a wife.

Mrs. Robbie Hornsby of Wichita, visited her mother, Mrs. Graham.

N. B. Coats and daughter and son,

Miss Goldie and Terrell, were here from Frederick, Okla.

Miss Dena Butler of Burkburnett, spent several days with Miss Oma Hollabaugh.

Mrs. Ferguson of Fort Worth is visiting her father, J. P. Gill.

Miss Myrl Frensey accompanied Miss Frankie Mae Frensey to Bowie Wednesday.

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The Telephone Girl

The telephone girl in most any town is often spoken of in a disrespectful way. She is often blamed for things she knows nothing of. Does she, as she some people think, sit there and enjoy herself all day or not, as the case may be, reading, laughing, eavesdropping, chewing gum, flirting with young men, bawling you out when it suits her or comes in handy, draws a large salary, enjoys life and knows no trouble? Is that your idea of the telephone girl?

It is of some people. They don't realize who central is. She receives a call for you from distant town and never gives you up until she finds you. Maybe it means a large sum of money to you. What is it to her? She never quits till you are satisfied and then if your call has to be repeated she does her very best; she strains every nerve in her tired body trying to help you. Then when she receives a message for you from a distant station—a sick message—she knows when every train is due and never fails if it is in her power to get you and deliver the message in time for you to catch that first train. And do you ever think that while you are speeding along your lonesome journey that girl has not forgotten and may be at that moment replying, "I'm so glad that I got him in time." But she is no help to you, and you may never think of her kindly.

Did you ever ask central to find a doctor for you? Did she ever refuse? Certainly not, and she never gives up until a satisfactory report is given you.

"The hand that rocks the cradle has been sung in every land; the hand that clips the coupons is another handy hand. The hand that holds fame is played for all it's worth, but the hand that plugs the switchboard is the hand that rules the earth."

It has become so customary to find the telephone girl on the job when men have fled in panic that their bravery is taken as a matter of course and not an individual virtue. The bravest man has had his moments of fame,

U. C. V. and Old Settler's REUNION

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, August 4, 5, 6, and 7th

Tuesday, August 4th, Moving in Day

Wednesday, August 5, Old Settlers' Day

Thursday, August 6, Old Confederates Day

Friday, August 7, Sons of Confederates' Day

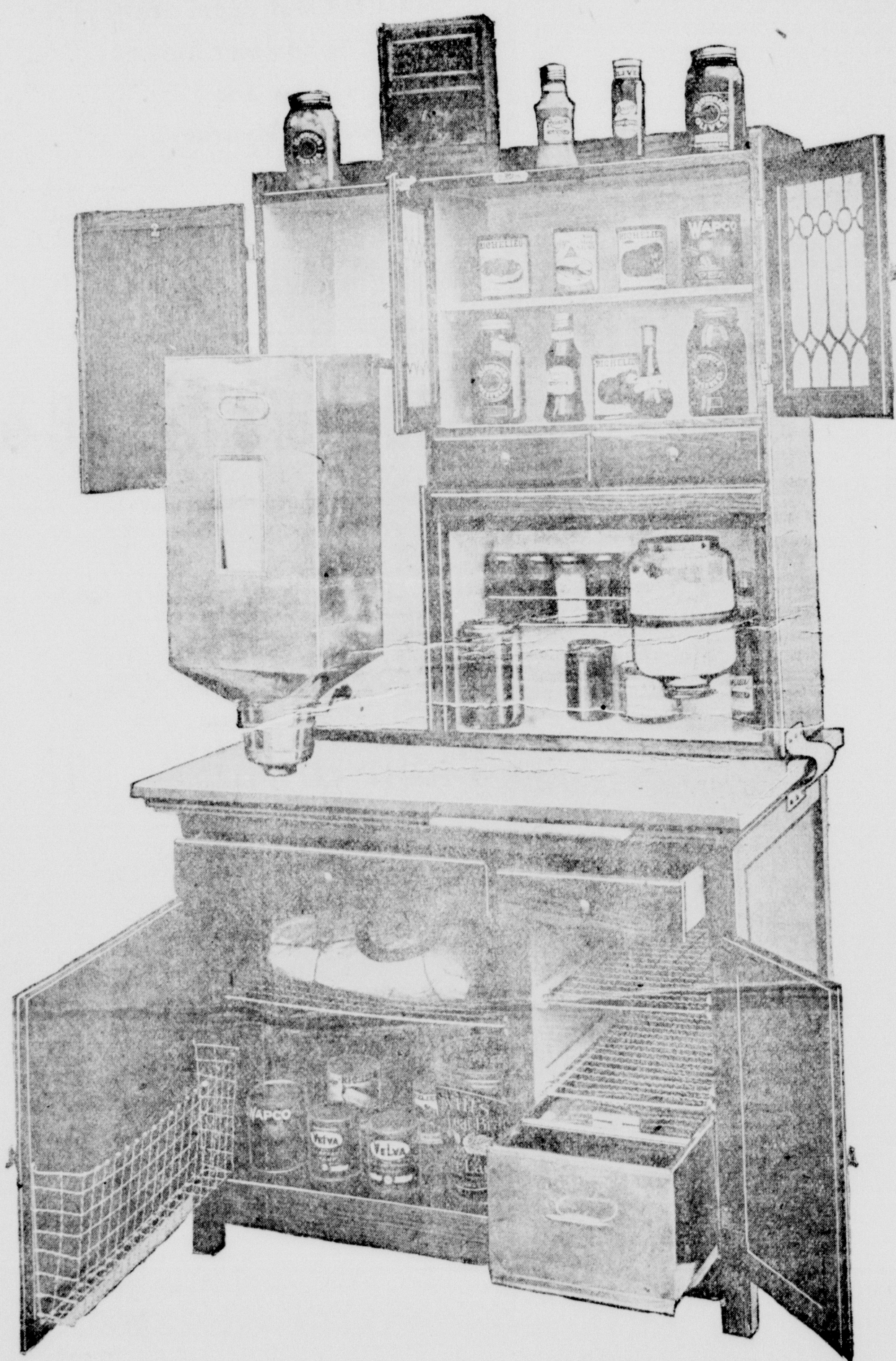
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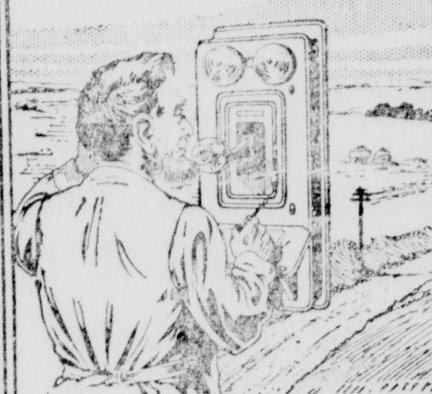
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but history does not record when a telephone girl has fled from her post in time of danger. The public don't stop to think that when the fire bell sounds at least three hundred telephones are ringing for information, "where's the fire?"

At one time I visited the Southwestern Telephone Company and saw many things that not only surprised but delighted me. I noticed that none of them were ever reading notes or knitting. Naturally, then, I asked why there was often such delay in getting the answer and an apparent inattention to calls, and it was explained to me. I left a wiser and more charitable woman. I have concluded that for the luxury of sitting in a comfortable chair and talking to your friends far as well as near, we should be willing to put up with "I'll ring them again" several times an hour. My hat is off to the telephone company everywhere and my apologies are tendered to the girls at the board.

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